



Docket No.: HE 8566 C1  
Date: November 1, 2004

In re application of: Gerdes, et al.	
Serial No.: 10/648,165	Group No.: 2856
Filed: August 26, 2003	Examiner: T.D. Bellamy
For: IMPROVED VEHICLE WHEEL BALANCER SYSTEM	

St. Louis, Missouri

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Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is:

An amendment in the above-identified application in response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2004;

An additional fee of \$440.00 is required to cover the cost of 5 extra independent claims.

Small Entity Status:

Applicant DOES NOT claim small entity status.

The fee has been calculated as shown:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate – Other Than A Small Entity	Rate – Small Entity	Additional Fee
Total Claims	40 -	40 =	0	\$18.00	\$9.00	0.00
Indep. Claims	13 -	8 =	5	\$88.00	\$44.00	440.00
Total Additional Fee:						\$440.00

A check in the amount of \$440.00 is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.1, which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account 162201. Duplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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**AMENDMENT A**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 12, 2004, please enter the following amendments:

- **Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2.**
- **Detailed Remarks begin on Page 16.**

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